

South Delta Fish Facility Background and Process

Background on SDFP Development

Background Information on SDFF (1 of 3)

1997 "Fish Screening and Fish Passage Analysis of the CALFED Phase II Delta Conveyance Alternatives" by CALFED Interagency Fish Facilities Technical Team, "Can build facilities but need certain information and research before certainty of successful south Delta Facilities can be implemented."

1999 "Project Management Organizational Agreement for the Tracy Fish Facility Project and Clifton Court Facility Project" " TFTF will develop the best available screening and salvage technology for the Delta"

2001 Given that the TFTF was being delayed, CALFED Management ask the IEP Fish Facilities Technical Review and Coordinators Team to recommend options for screening and salvaging facilities in the south Delta that might meet the ROD schedule .

Background Information on SDFF (2 of 3)

2002 Technical and coordination teams developed three options and recommended to CALFED that we stay with the sequence as listed in the 1999 Management Agreement "**Build the TFTF, obtain information for CCF and then build Module 1**"

Because the Cost and Funding of the TFTF was uncertain, the CALFED Management Team **formed a Delta Fish Facilities subgroup** to review fish facility options and make recommendations to management

CHTR The subgroup recommended to the Management Team and Management directed IEP to develop a three year testing and research program to determine how we can **Collect, Handle, Transport, and Release Delta Smelt** once they pass through the salvage facilities

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TFTF The subgroup requested the USBR develop and present the cost of options for the TFTF. **Six options were developed** that range from bringing the present facility to current criteria with no TFTF to the TFTF as developed by the Tracy Technical Advisory Team.

SWC has led a small group of fish facilities experts in developing South Delta Fish Facilities Alternatives. Options explored an incremental approach to reduce predation in CCF and upgrade the Skinner Fish Facility. The Management subgroup heard a presentation of their options on October 31st. The subgroup recommend that **refined cost estimates** be made of the alternatives.

South Delta Fish Facility Forum

Purpose: To provide guidance and priorities to be used in the development of cost effective alternatives for fish protection facilities in the South Delta

Membership: Members of the Water and Fishery Agencies, and Stakeholders

Leadership: Three-Way Lead: Diana Jacobs, DFG; Kirk Rodgers, USBR; Tim Quinn, MWDSC

Support Teams: Implementing Agencies, IEP, CVFFRT, CCFTAT, TTAT, Sci/Tech Peer Review Panel, Science, and Stakeholders

South Delta Fish Facilities Decision Process

